(g) the steps being taken to allot the land to the Mission as per their request?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to allot 0.5 acres in Chittaranjan Park to the Mission.

(c) and (d) The Delhi Development Authority has been asked to incorporate the utilization of the land in the lay out plan of the area.

(e) and (f) No, Sir.

(g) The Allotment will be made after the proposed utilization of land is incorporated in the lay-out plan of the area.

Allotment of Type 'D' quarters to Government Officers

2499. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government Officers drawing pay of rupees 250 p.m. were entitled to Type IV quarter in the beginning;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the allotment of Type IV quarters (now category 'D') has been recommended for allotment to Officers drawing pay from Rupees 2800 to Rupees 3599/- by the IVth Pay Commission and thus many Government Officers have been deprived of their entitlement of Type IV quarters; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government to revise the eligibility condition?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Since the publication of the Allotment of Government Residences (General Pool in Delhi) Rules, 1963 type-IV (type-D) houses are not initially allotted to government officers drawing pay @Rs. 250 p.m.

(b) The IVth Pay Commission has recommended pay range of Rs. 2800 to Rs. 3590 for entitlement of type-D residences. It cannot be said that Government officers have been deprived of their entitlement of type-IV quarters as the classification of entitlement is more or less related to revision of pay scales.

(c) Does not arise, in view of the reply given at (b) above.

Foodgrain stock

2500. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total stock of foodgrains as in September, 1986; and

(b) what targets have been set for the storage of foodgrains during 1986-87 and for the year 1987-88?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The total stock of foodgrains with public agencies as on 30th September, 1986 is estimated at 23.68 million tonnes.

(b) Food Corporation of India, Central Ware housing Corporation and State Ware housing Corporations together are expected to construct additional storage capacity of 10.33 lakh tonnes for foodgrains during 1986-87. These agencies are targetted to construct storage capacity of 11.30 lakh tonnes for foodgrains during 1987-88.

Government accommodation to employees not having their own houses

2501. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA:
SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of employees working in the Ministry of Urban Development (category-wise) for more than ten/fifteen/twenty years but had not been allotted Government accommoadtion;

(b) the number of those out of them in each category who are having their own accommodation; and

(c) whether Government propose to adopt any policy under which employees who do not own accommodation on ownership basis could be given accommodation on a priority basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) There is no such proposal.

Violation of Quality Control Provision of ISI

2502. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to the Mild Steel Tubes Quality Control Order, 1978, no Mild Steel Tube can be manufactured stored or sold or distributed, having wall thickness less than that stipulated under IS : 1239, except for Sprinkler Irrigation System, for which Government have issued specific licences;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the ISI has permitted a large number of tubes having wall thickness less than that stipulated under IS: 1239, grossly violating the aforesaid Quality Control Order; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken to curb the violation of the said Quality Control Order?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The Mild Steel Tubes Quality Control Order, 1978, prescribes minimum thickness of tubes which can be used for conveying steam, water, gas and air. The Quality Control Order does not make any reference to sprinkler irrigation system.

As certain new varieties of tubes based on foreign technology with a thickness lower than that specified in the Quality Control Order, 1978, appeared in the market, the need for prescribing a separate Indian Standard for them was felt. These pipes which are to be used for conveying water can be easily transported and quickly assembled and dismantled. The Indian Standard specification for these pipes has been recently published after taking into account their characteristics referred to above. The Indian Standard now published permits the use of the new pipes not only for sprinkler irrigation, but also in areas where case of transportation and quick assembling and dismantling are the prime requisites of the users.

The standards prescribed in IS: 1239 relate to conveyance of water through pipes for regular water supply schemes. As the new Indian Standard does not, at present, permit the use of pipes in question for regular water supply schemes, the Quality Control Order, 1978 does not apply to them.

(c) Does not arise.

Utilisation of Irrigation Projects

2503. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that irrigation projects in the country are not fully utilised as reported in the "The Statesman" of the 18th September, 1986; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) (a) and (b) There is some gap between the irrigation potential created and its utilization. Steps are being taken to bridge the gap by resorting to Command Area Development with provision of field channels upto 5 to 8 ha. blocks, improved water management, Farmers' particiaption, etc.